



# EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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# HAPPY CAMPERS



# EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PHASES

- ▶ Response
- ▶ Recovery
- ▶ Long-Term Recovery
- ▶ Emphasis on Recovery

# SUBJECT MATTER

- ▶ Process – 4 days of classes including
  - ▶ Interactive lectures
  - ▶ Tabletop exercises
- ▶ This training coincided with Hurricane Harvey
- ▶ Multiple subjects addressed by different subject matter experts:
  - ▶ All Hazards Planning
    - ▶ Planning concepts
    - ▶ Jurisdictional Planning Structure
    - ▶ Types of Planning
      - ▶ Strategic (policy objectives)
      - ▶ Operational
      - ▶ Tactical

# SUBJECT MATTER

- ▶ Situational awareness and Common Operating Picture
  - ▶ Debris Management
  - ▶ Management of Donations
  - ▶ Vetting and Deployment of Volunteers
  - ▶ Distribution Locations
  - ▶ Shelter – Initiating and Closing
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- ▶ 17 modules like these above encompassing multiple elements and dynamic of emergency management and tabletop exercises



# DEBRIS – HURRICANE HARVEY

## CloseUp

### An enormous and urgent task: Hauling away Harvey's debris



ts lugged out of the home she  
rs with her mother and grand-  
fther. Here were two couches  
high with ripped-out carpet. A  
e table. A folding chair. And so

ly home of about 60 years.  
guess they'll just come with the  
ruck with the claw thing" to  
it away, she said, gazing at the  
s; at least the family has insur-

he piles up and down this street  
(along many other nearby  
ets — shards of wallboard and

his city's recovery: housing and  
debris removal.

"We're going to pick it up, and

ording to the Federal Emergency  
Management Agency (FEMA).  
Katrina left behind 38 million cubic

from their debris.

The job of deciding how to move  
these mountains has been left to  
counts and local officials, who hire

challenging aspects of storm,  
and because decisions generally

reinvent the wheel."

Setting aside appliances like  
refrigerators for recycling, and  
chipping down trees for mulch  
instead of burning them, prevents  
pollution and extends the life of  
landfills. Leaking landfills can pol-  
lute groundwater.

"The victims of these  
already in environmentally com-  
promised situations," she said, "an  
the way debris is handled should  
not make it worse."

She said that separating waste by  
type is anything but fussy, especial-  
ly in the age of climate change,  
when scientists have shown that  
global warming is producing wetter  
storms and contributing to more  
destructive storm surges, and could

powerful.

"I fully understand people say-  
ing, 'This is an emergency — let's  
suspend the norms,' Enck said. "But  
these hurricanes and floods are  
becoming the norm."

Historically, Texas has not shown  
deep concern over environmental  
issues, and in the current crisis, its

# Mutual Cooperation/Collaboration with Greater Federal Way

- ▶ Focus on Integrated Emergency Management
- ▶ We will discuss the regional dynamic a little later in the presentation
- ▶ Now, I would like to hear from our team members of their impressions of the training process
  - ▶ Mike Graddon
  - ▶ Kory Batterman
  - ▶ Brandon Carver
  - ▶ John Blackburn
  - ▶ Jamie Weigand



# PARTICIPANTS COMMENTS

- ▶ Scott Wilkins
- ▶ Dunyele Mason
- ▶ Matt Pina
- ▶ George Delgado
- ▶ Dan Brewer
- ▶ Michael Matthias

# WHAT DID WE LEARN

- ▶ Regional Context – Comprehensive Emergency Management Context
  - ▶ Enhanced Relationship with:
    - ▶ South King Fire and Rescue
    - ▶ City of Federal Way
    - ▶ Lakehaven Water and Sewer District
    - ▶ Federal Way School District
    - ▶ St. Francis Hospital
    - ▶ Federal Way Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)
    - ▶ Federal Way Amateur Radio
    - ▶ City of Federal Way – Police Department

# WHAT DID WE LEARN

- ▶ Need to Establish and Integrate Emergency Management Relationships with the following:
  - ▶ Cities of SeaTac, Burien, and Normandy Park
  - ▶ Highline College
  - ▶ Highline School District
  - ▶ Highline Hospital (Burien, owned by CHI Franciscan – same owner as Saint Francis Hospital)
  - ▶ Sea-Tac International Airport
  - ▶ Federal Aviation Administration
  - ▶ Port of Seattle
  - ▶ King County



# OTHER PARTNERS

- ▶ Private sector businesses
  - ▶ Business Park
  - ▶ Others
- ▶ Non-profits and community organizations

# NEXT STEPS

- ▶ Expand our relationships and coordination with other agencies
- ▶ Integrate emergency management planning and preparation into our organizational culture
- ▶ Emergency Management is an ongoing process that must be valued and articulated consistently throughout the City organization
- ▶ Continue to enhance our infrastructure
  - ▶ The Marina (especially the North bulkhead)
  - ▶ Improvements to 216<sup>th</sup>
    - ▶ The connection of 24<sup>th</sup> to Angle Lake light rail station and on to the cargo area of Sea-Tac International Airport provides critical logistics linkages

# LAST DAY COMMENTS

